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FOLLOWING SENT SECSTATE INFO BERLIN BONN FROM GENEVA

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SUBJ: FRG AND BERLIN FREQUENCY SYMBOL

REF: A. STATE 143921 B. GENEVA 3735 C. BONN 9898 D. STATE 140237

1. ON INSTRUCTIONS FROM BONN FRG MISOFF SCHIRMER CALLED MEETING OF US, UK AND FRENCH REPS TO SEEK UNIFIED POSITION ON MATTERS CONTAINED IN REFTELS. PROBLEMS RELATE TO DESIGNATION SYMBOLS FOR FRG AND WEST BERLIN WHICH WOULD BE INCLUDED IN THE PREFACE TO THE INTERNATIONAL FREQUENCY LIST AND TABLE NO. 1 OF COUNTRY SYMBOLS (6TH EDITION WAS DATED FEBRUARY 1, 1971). ACTION IS REQUESTED ON US POSITION RE PARA 3.

2. PER REFTEL A, US AGREED TO SUPPORT FRG IN ITS BID TO RETAIN THE "D" SYMBOL. FRANCE AND UK REPS SAID THEY ALSO WERE INCLINED TO BACK FRG, BUT WERE REQUIRED FIRST TO CONSULT THEIR GOVERNMENTS AND OBTAIN CONCURRENCE.

3. WITH REGARD TO THE WEST BERLIN ASPECT OF THE SYMBOL PROBLEM, FRG WANTS INCLUSION OF FOOTNOTE TO "D" AND "DDR" IN
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TABLE OF COUNTRY SYMBOLS AND SUGGESTS FOLLOWING: "THE SYMBOLS

RELATING TO THE FEDERAL REPUBLIC OF GERMANY AND THE GERMAN DEMOCRATIC REPUBLIC INCLUDE THE RESPECTIVE PARTS OF BERLIN WITHOUT PREJUDICE TO ANY QUESTION OF STATUS WHICH MAY BE INVOLVED." ALTERNATE TEXT SUGGESTED BY UK WOULD SIMPLY EXCLUDE THE WORDS "THE RESPECTIVE PARTS OF..." FRANCE,UK AND US REPS STATED THEIR INTENTIONS TO REFER THE MATTER OF FOOTNOTES TO THEIR GOVERNMENTS FOR APPROVAL.

4. FRG AMBASSADOR TENTATIVELY PLANS TO MAKE FORMAL PRESENTATION OF PROPOSALS TO IFRB CHAIRMAN PETIT ABOUT AUGUST 1,AT WHICH TIME HE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO INDICATE THAT FRG HAS SUPPORT OF OTHER THREE POWERS. THEREFORE REQUEST ADVICE IF POSSIBLE BY JULY 30 WHETHER ONE OR BOTH OF FOOTNOTE TEXTS ACCEPTABLE.

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